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# NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

# **WEEKLY RESOURCE WRAP-UP**

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# 2020 Census Deadline Changed to September 30, 2020

The final deadline to complete the 2020 Census has just been changed to Sept..30, one month sooner than previously stated.

Completing the census is a quick process and your information will remain private. New Mexico must count *everyone* to ensure we get our fair share of funding for essential services like healthcare, education, emergency services, and roadwork.

<u>Learn More</u> <u>Complete the Census Online NOW</u>

# **COVID-19 Recovery Resources**

# **New!** Bernalillo Accepting New Applications for CARES Small Business Grant

Bernalillo County is offering one-time grants up of to \$10,000 to qualifying small business and nonprofits that are adversely impacted by COVID-19 to cover costs such as wages, vendor bills, and rent.

Learn more

# **New!** Federation of State Medical Boards Foundation: COVID-19 State Response Grants

COVID-19 State Response Grants are designed to offer health care organizations funding support to study the state responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. Applicants may apply for up to \$25,000 in funding support. **Deadline: October 1.** 

Learn more

#### New! The Center for Craft: Craft Futures Fund

The Craft Futures Fund will support craft communities and their creative responses to COVID-19. These one-time, unrestricted, \$5,000 grants will be disbursed to craft-based education projects that seed resilience, foster community, and amplify impact. **Deadline: Monthly, until October 2020.** 

**Learn more** 

# **New!** The Education Stabilization Fund-Reimagining Workforce Preparation (ESF-RWP) grants

The ESF-RWP grants target support for people returning to work, small businesses, and new entrepreneurs. They also build capacity in states for short-term postsecondary programs. **Deadline: August 24.** 

Learn more

#### **New! FEMA Lost Wages Grants**

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Lost Wages Grants, funded through the Disaster Relief Fund (DRF), are available to states to provide financial assistance to individuals who have lost wages due to the COVID-19. New Mexico is among the first few states to be eligible for these grants.

Learn more

**Guidance for The Lost Wages Assistance Program** 

# New! HUD Provides Flexibility for CDBG Disaster Recovery Grantees

HUD's new COVID-19 program FAQs

- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)
- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)
- Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)
- Continuum of Care (CoC) Program

Learn more

# New! The Enterline Foundation: COVID-19 Emergency Grant

The Enterline Foundation's COVID-19 Emergency Grant program provides emergency funding to support nonprofit organizations that serve the intellectually and developmentally disabled (IDD) community and are responding to the COVID-19 crisis. The purpose of this grant is to fund innovative adaptations to service delivery to ensure the organization's long-term viability. Grants will range from \$5,000 to \$15,000. **Deadline: August 31.** 

Learn more

#### **COVID-19 Data Resources**

- Statistics Canada tracks a wide range of social and economic effects of COVID-19
- Women Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub
- An evaluation of the Payroll Protection Programusing administrative microdata, by Autor et al.
- SBA Paycheck Protection Program Loan Forgiveness: In Brief
- Entrepreneurial uncertainty during the COVID-19 crisis: mapping the temporal dynamics of entrepreneurial finance, by Brown and Rocha

# **NMED Emergency COVID-19 Amendment**

On Aug. 5, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) filed an emergency amendment to require employers to report positive COVID-19 cases in the workplace to the NMED Occupational Health and Safety Bureau within four hours of being notified of the case. The emergency rule is in place for 120 days (Dec. 3, 2020), unless a permanent rule is adopted prior to the end of the 120-day period.

Learn More FAQ

# **Health Coverage Options During COVID-19**

New Mexico Human Services Department, beWellnm (New Mexico's Health Insurance Exchange), the New Mexico Medical Insurance Pool, and the New Mexico Office of Superintendent of Insurance have teamed up to inform New Mexicans about their coverage options during the pandemic.

- The New Mexico Health Coverage Connector Tool
- Printable resources about coverage options: <u>English</u>, <u>Spanish</u>, <u>Vietnamese</u>, and <u>Mandarin</u>, <u>for Native Americans</u>
- Health Action New Mexico's guide for what to do if you lost job-based health insurance.
- COVID-19 Health Insurance Call Center or call 1-833-415-0566.

# **New Mexico Small Business Continuity Grants**

Money will be made available to eligible municipalities that will award grants to eligible local businesses. Contact your local government or local economic development department for assistance.

Read the Press Release

# New Mexico Small Business Recovery Loan Fund

This program provides financial assistance to businesses that are experiencing hardship due to the public health order resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Please note that this is a loan program.

**Learn More** 

The New Mexico Child Care Stabilization and Recovery Grant will provide immediate relief and support to eligible child care providers across New Mexico. The grants will cover lost income resulting from closure, response and recovery operation costs (including enhanced cleaning and sanitation), and other expenses. Applications available in English and Spanish online.

**Learn More** 

# **NM Safe Certified Training**

NM Safe Certified provides businesses with an on-demand virtual COVID-Safe Training Program to help ensure all New Mexicans remain safe as the state reopens for business and recreation. NM Safe Certified provides a recognizable brand across all industries to assist in building consumer confidence.

**Learn More** 

#### LISC Small Business Relief Grants

Business Relief Grants support small businesses and enterprises affected the Covid-19 across the country, especially in underserved communities, including entrepreneurs of color, and women- and veteran-owned businesses that often lack access to flexible, affordable capital.

**Learn More** 

# **Sorenson Impact Foundation Grants**

The Foundation is specifically targeting solutions that enable COVID-19 recovery in underserved or underrepresented communities, to equitably rebuild. Awards will range in size from \$25,000 to \$250,000. **Deadline: August 30.** 

**Learn More** 

# Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grants COVID-19 Fund

The Emergency Grants COVID-19 Fund will disburse \$1,500 grants to artists who have had performances or exhibitions canceled or postponed because of the COVID-19 virus. Applicants must be individual artists, or an individual representing an artist collective, ensemble, or group. **Deadline: August 31.** 

**Learn More** 

# **COVID Relief Resources from covidcap.com**

The covidcap.com database contains over 1,400 listings totaling over \$1 trillion in grants, debt, and other cash equivalents. The database also includes listings of non-financial support for entrepreneurs.

**Learn More** 

#### **Coronavirus Food Assistance Program**

USDA funding for immediate relief to agricultural producers and the Farmers to Families Food Box Program providers who have suffered a five-percent-or-greater price decline or who had losses due to market supply chain disruptions due to COVID-19 and face additional significant market costs. **Deadline:** August 28.

**Learn More** 

# **Additional Business Resources**

#### **New!** Outdoor Economics Conference

The 2020 Outdoor Economics Conference has been moved to an online format. The free conference takes place from October 1-2. Online registration is now available. Open to businesses and community organizations.

**Learn more** 

#### **New!** Outdoor Recreation Division Newsletter

The New Mexico Outdoor Recreation Division (ORD) is publishing a new bimonthly newsletter with all the latest updates from ORD and New Mexico's outdoor recreation initiatives. For businesses and communities interested in the Outdoor Recreation Economy in New Mexico.

<u>View the first issue</u> Subscribe to the newsletter

# **New!** Cybersecurity Grants for DoD Contractors

Grants for optics and photonics technology-based businesses to receive training and financial assistance in order to meet the new Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification standards required of all Dept of Defense contractors.

**Learn More** 

# **Libraries as Launchpads Accepting Applications**

Applications are open to New Mexico entrepreneurs building outdoor recreation, tourism, food/agriculture, and creative industry businesses in or near the following counties: Cibola, Harding, McKinley, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, and Taos; as well as in the Estancia, Silver City and Alamogordo areas.

**Learn More** 

# **Additional Community Resources**

#### **New!** Special Projects and Outdoor Infrastructure Grant Program

NM Outdoor Recreation Division (ORD) is accepting applications for its new grant program to help residents improve access to outdoor recreation in their communities. This grant focuses on conservation-minded shovel-ready projects that are open to the public and demonstrate a clear benefit to the community. Grant amounts will range from \$5,000 to \$25,000. **Deadline: September 14.** 

**Learn More** 

# **New! MLB-MLBPA Healthy Relationships Community Grants**

Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association launched the Healthy Relationships Community Grants initiative, focusing on three distinct areas: supporting programs that build and improve mental health resiliency among vulnerable populations, improving relationship skills of the next generation, and programs designed to strengthen and provide critical services to survivors of domestic violence. **Deadlines: September 1 and December 1.** 

**Learn More** 

# **New!** 2020 Small Grants Program

The Center for Sharing Public Health Services is offering small grants to support work on cross-jurisdictional sharing arrangements designed to advance health equity by addressing social determinants of health (e.g., affordable housing, jobs with fair pay, quality education, affordable healthy food and public safety), the public health response to COVID-19, structural racism, or other related issues. Eligible applicants include state or local government public health agencies or military public health departments, American Indian/Alaska Native tribe or tribal entities, and nonprofit organizations. Award amounts up to \$10,000 will be made. **Deadline: September 1.** 

**Learn More** 

# **New!** Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program

The Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program supports innovative, community-based initiatives to improve the health status of infants, children, adolescents, and families in rural and other underserved communities by increasing their access to preventive care and services. This program supports projects related to a range of topical areas including medical home or care coordination, mental and behavioral health services, child development and school readiness services, and promotion of healthy weight and physical activity. **Deadline: October 6.** 

**Learn More** 

# New! The Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants program

The Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grants program will build the capacity of community colleges to collaborate with employers and the public workforce development system to meet local and regional labor market demand for a skilled workforce. **Deadline: October 8.** 

**Learn More** 

# **New!** Rural Health Network Development Planning Program

The purpose of the Network Planning Grants Program is to promote the development of integrated health care networks in order to: (i) achieve efficiencies; (ii) expand access to, coordinate, and improve the quality of basic health care services; and (iii) strengthen the rural health care system as a whole.

Deadline: November 16.

**Learn More** 

# **New!** A Community Thrives Grants

A Community Thrives invests in community-building initiatives. The program is a way to share community improvement ideas on the national stage, gain support through donations and local connections, and get a chance at receiving a portion of an additional \$2 million in grants to help projects succeed. During the campaign, nonprofit organizations have the chance to raise funds for their charities. At the end of the crowdfunding period, the Gannett Foundation will award grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$100,000 to selected organizations. Nonprofit organizations and municipal programs such as libraries and schools may apply. **Deadline: September 11.** 

**Learn More** 

# New! Rural Placement Innovation Challenge (RPIC)

Technical assistance for placemaking (planning and/or implementation) to create places where people want to live, work, and play. Funds can be used to help rural communities access planning resources to develop actionable placemaking plans, convene partners, identify community needs, and implement priorities to build rural prosperity. **Deadline: September 10.** 

# **EDD Accepting FUNDIT Applications**

New Mexico FUNDIT assists communities in accessing financing for Infrastructure through Community and Economic Development Projects from over 15 different state and federal entities—all at one inperson meeting. FundIt is not a grant program; it is a platform connecting your community with a variety of different agencies and resources simultaneously. **Deadline to Apply: August 21. Next meeting:**September 1.

Learn More
Questions or Apply

# **Mabee Foundation Capital Funds**

The Mabee Foundation provides funding for nonprofit organizations in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. The Foundation's grant categories include Educational, Medical and Health, Social and Humanitarian Services, and Cultural and Religious. Grants are made toward building and facility construction and renovation projects, as well as for the purchase of major medical equipment. The Foundation requires that 40% of the total project be raised by other public donors before it will consider a grant request. Online applications are due on the first business day of March, June, September, and December, annually.

**Learn More** 

#### **Fund for Wild Nature**

The Fund for Wild Nature provides grants to grassroots nonprofit organizations for campaigns to save native species and wild ecosystems, with particular emphasis on actions to defend threatened wilderness and biological diversity. Priority is given to ecological issues that are not receiving sufficient public attention or funding. Grants, range from \$1,000 to \$3,000 and does not support proposals from organizations with budgets of over \$250,000 annually. **Deadlines: May 1 and October 1 of each year.** 

**Learn More** 

# **Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood**

The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood supports nonprofit organizations with programs that will significantly enhance the development, health, safety, education, or quality of life of children from infancy through seven years of age. **The upcoming deadline for letters of inquiry is September 30.** 

**Learn More** 

# **Sparkplug Foundation**

The Sparkplug Foundation provides grants to start-up nonprofit organizations or new projects of established nonprofits that are addressing the fields of music, education, and community organizing. Complete the online questionnaire between September 15 and October 5, 2020.

**Learn More** 

# **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development supports organizations led by low-income individuals as they work to break the cycle of poverty and improve their communities. The grant programs include the following: *Community Development Grants* support nonprofit organizations that are led by people living in poverty and work to address the root causes of poverty; *Economic Development Grants* support

economic development initiatives that include the voice of the poor and marginalized in developing new businesses that offer good jobs or develop assets that will be owned by local communities. Grants range between \$25,000 and \$75,000. **Pre-applications: between September 1 and Nov. 1.** 

**Learn More** 

# **Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund**

The New Mexico Environment Department Brownfields Program manages the Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund that offers low-interest loans with favorable terms for remediating environmental contamination at eligible sites, including asbestos removal or abatement. Free Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessments including environmental sampling and analysis, cleanup planning assistance, asbestos and lead paint surveys, and remediation cost estimates are also available to government units, tribal governments, quasi-public entities (such as community development organizations), and non-profit entities.

**Learn More** 

# Native American Business Development Institute (NABDI) Grant

The Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED), through its Native American Business Development Institute (NABDI), is soliciting proposals from Tribes for technical assistance funding to hire consultants to perform feasibility studies to determine economic development opportunities in designated Opportunity Zones. **Deadline September 15.** 

**Learn More** 

# In the News/Links

Fed to Lower Rates for Cities, States Seeking Short-Term Loans

Failure to provide additional state, local aid would cause a double-dip recession

Memorandum on Deferring Payroll Tax Obligations in Light of the Ongoing COVID-19 Disaster

**Banks Get Green Light for Opportunity Zone Investing** 

Why 2020 is Primed For Opportunity Zone Investments

COVID-19 EIDL Advance Report 07-15-20

Federal Reserve Board announces revised pricing for its Municipal Liquidity Facility

Airship company Sceye to add 140 manufacturing jobs in New Mexico, expand broadband access

All Together NM Fund Provides \$500K More In Food Grants

Grant helps paper company go green

Gallup officials fear economic collapse will further hurt area

Editorial: Outer space could be NM's newest economic frontier

Sandia Science and Tech Park seeing steady job growth, production during pandemic

New Mexico's film industry in preproduction

# **Webinars**

# **Upcoming Webinars:**

Indigenous Planning, Community Assets, and Brownfields: Catalyzing Positive Transformation August 24 at 9 am

Register

#### **Women's Global Trade Empowerment Forum:**

- August 25: Thriving in the Digital Trade Economy Under USMCA
- September 1: How to Make USMCA Work for You Changes in Customs & Rules of Origin
- September 10: Legal Strategies for Success Governance, Compliance, & Representation Agreements
- September 22: Protecting the Most Important Asset –Your IP; WGTEF Wrap Up/Certificate Presentations

Register for the Forum

SCORE NM: New Mexico Small Business Recovery Loan Fund Webinar

August 27 at 3 pm

Register

NMDOT: Safety in the Workplace/On the Jobsite

September 9 at 10 am

Register

2020 Outdoor Economics Conference

October 1-2

Register

**Discover Global Markets Virtual Conference** 

October 7-9

Register

#### **Recent Webinars:**

How to Apply for the Outdoor Recreation Division's Special Projects and Infrastructure Grant (8/18/20)

Small Business Recovery Loan Fund Eligibility and How to Apply(7/30/20)

Small Business Recovery Loan Fund Help for Small Businesses (7/29/20)

Small Business Recovery Loan Fund The Role of Participating Lenders (7/28/20)

The Governance Project Discusses GroundUp(7/22/20)

To see a full list of upcoming webinars and links to more previously recorded webinars:

- EDD Finance Dept Webinars and Other COVID-19 Resources
- NM MainStreet Webinars and Other COVID-19 Resources



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